Yesterday, the Congressional Budget Office (CBO), released its Monthly Budget Review, and not to my surprise it stated "The federal government incurred a deficit of \$268 billion for the first nine months of fiscal year 2008, CBO estimates, \$148 billion more than the shortfall recorded during the sam... Yesterday, the Congressional Budget Office (CBO), released its Monthly Budget Review, and not to my surprise it stated "The federal government incurred a deficit of \$268 billion for the first nine months of fiscal year 2008, CBO estimates, \$148 billion more than the shortfall recorded during the same period in 2007."

CBO also estimates that about \$79 billion of that change is a direct result of the Economic Stimulus Act that passed the House at the beginning of this year.

We are now seeing the direct effect of reckless spending without reductions elsewhere. I have said it before and I will say it now, both Republicans and Democrats need to understand that if we continue on our current course we are on a collision course for the highest debt in American history.